

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-21 are cancelled. Claims 22-36 are added.

No new matter is added in the above amendment. Claim 1 has been amended to include the feature of “the axial length of the peripheral groove is fixed.” Support for can be found in the Specification, including paragraph [0003] of the published application (US 2006/0110217).

Amendment to the Specification

The first paragraph on page 2 of the Specification (paragraph [0005] of the published patent application (US 2006/0110217) was amendment to include a feature of claim 1, as amended. As stated above, support for this amendment can be found in the Specification, including paragraph [0003] of the published application (US 2006/0110217).

§ 1.114 Submission

The above amendment constitutes the required submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 filed with the Request for Continued Examination.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment coincident to this Request to Deposit Account 50-2752.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Myers, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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